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	PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT	

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Sir:

This Preliminary amendment is being filed concurrently with the Application.

Please amend the above-captioned patent application as set forth below.

# In the Claims:

Please replace claim 56 with the following claim 56:

56. (First Amended) A method for making an exposure apparatus that transfers a pattern from a first object onto a second object, the method comprising the steps of: providing an illumination system that illuminates the device; and moving the device with a stage assembly made by the method of claim 47.

# **REMARKS**

Claim 56 has been amended to correct a typographical error. No new matter has been added by the amendment to the specification. Consideration of the application is respectfully requested.

## Version with markings to show changes made:

# In the Claims:

Claim 56 was amended as set forth below:

56. (First Amended) A method for making an exposure apparatus that transfers a pattern from a first object onto a second object, the method comprising the steps of: providing an illumination system that illuminates the device; and moving the device with a stage assembly made by the method of claim <u>47</u>.

### CONCLUSION

In conclusion, Applicants respectfully assert that the application is now in a condition for allowance. Accordingly, an early notice of allowance is respectfully requested. The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at 858-456-1951 for any reason that would advance the instant application to issue.

Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2001.

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